



TOWN OF *LaGrange* INDIANA

Laurie D. Miller, Clerk/Treasurer
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Meeting Minutes: October 2, 2023

The regular meeting of the LaGrange Town Council met at 6:00 pm, at the LaGrange Town Hall.
(Also available via Zoom)

Council Members Present: Raymond Hoover, Carolyn Glick, Diane Cameron, Josh Shotzman, and Edna Bowser

Also present: Laurie Miller, Mark Eagleson

President Hoover opened the meeting at precisely 6:00 pm.

Member Bowser motioned to approve the agenda with flexibility, Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Council Member Bowser made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from September 18, 2023; Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The 2024 Budget Adoption Hearing was then opened by Clerk Treasurer Laurie Miller. Total Budget was in the amount of \$5,964,650.00 with levy in the amount of \$1,601,085.00. After a period of discussion, with no input noted, Member Glick made a motion to approve the proposed 2024 Budget, Member Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried with Member Joshua Shotzman abstaining (due to being on the Volunteer Fire Department). The Adoption Hearing was then closed.

CLERK:

- Requested the Council choose a location for the Town Employee Christmas Party. Member Bowser motioned to hold the event at the LaGrange American Legion Post 215 on December 9th. Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

WASTEWATER:

- Requested authorization for the Town Manager to begin looking for a small truck, similar to what the Water Department recently purchased. After discussion on the need for the vehicle, Member Bowser made a motion to allow the search for the vehicle. Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Provided a report of work completed from September 18th – Sept 19th

Street Dept:

- Provided a report of work completed from September 18th – Sept 19th

FIRE:

- Provided a details for September 18th
- Discussed the purchase of a Durango for the Fire Department. The Township Trustees (Bloomfield & Clay) have committed to purchasing the vehicle, the department is looking for permission for the Town to cover the insurance, light package, and incidentals, with the Town being the purchasing agent. Member Bowser made a motion to approve the request, Member Glick seconded the motion. Member Shotzman abstained from discussion and vote. Motion carried.

PARK:

- Requested the portable toilets be left at the park and downtown until after the Halloween and Heroes event in late October. Member Glick motioned to approve the request, Member Shotzman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Discussed pickleball courts and resurfacing of the basketball courts.

TOWN MANAGER:

- Lakeland Senior Johanna Guzman has requested permission to hold an art show with food trucks on November 3, 2023 at the Garage on Lafayette Street. Member Glick motioned for approval, Member Bowser seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Presented Pay Application #27 for Ottenweller Contractors in the amount of \$325,172.48. Member Cameron motioned to approve the application, Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

- Presented an amendment to the LaGrange Floodplain Ordinance. The County Planning and Zoning Administrator, Robbie Miller has indicated they are minor changes. President Hoover stated that he would like to see a copy with the changes indicated.

ATTORNEY:

- Unsafe Building hearing will be held on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 6:00 pm at the Town Hall.

OPEN DISCUSSION:

ALLOWANCE OF CLAIMS: Member Bowser made a motion to approve claims, Member Shotzman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ADJOURN: Member Bowser made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Member Glick seconded the motion. Motion Carried.


Raymond Hoover, Council President


Attest: Laurie D. Miller, IAMC, CMC
Clerk Treasurer